A ROUGH SEA VOYAGE

DR. TALMAGE SAYS CHRIST'S FOL LOWERS MUST EXPECT HIM

He Preaches a Sermon of Solace to People Who are in Trouble-The Storm and the Calm on the Sea of Gennesaret-The Har-

This sermon by Rev. Dr. Talmage will be of great solace to people who are finding their life a rough voyage. Text, Mark iv, 36: "And there were also with him other little ships, and there arose a great storm of wind. 'And the wind ceased and there was a great calm."

Tiberias, Galilee, Gennesaret-three names for the same lake. No other gem ever had so beautiful a setting. It lay in a scene of great luxuriancethe surrounding hills high, terraced, sloped, groved, so many hanging gardens of beauty; the waters rumbling down between rocks of gray and red limestone, flashing from the hills and bounding into the sea. On the shore were castles, armed towers, Roman baths, everything attractive and beautiful, all styles of vegetation in shorter space than in almost any other space in all the world, from the palm tree of the forest to the trees of rigorous cli-

SMOOTH SAILING

It seemed as if the Lord had launched one wave of beauty on all the scene. and it hung and swung from rock and hill and oleander. Roman gentlemen in pleasure boats sailing the lake and countrymen in fishing smacks, coming down to drop their nets, pass each other with rod and shout and laughter or singing idly at their moorings. Oh, what a wonderful, what a beauti-

It seems as if we shall have a quiet night. Not a leaf winked in the air. not a ripple disturbed the face of Gennesaret, but there seems to be a little excitement up the beach, and we hasten to see what it is, and we find it an embarkation.

From the western shore a flotilla pushing out, not a squadron or deadly armament, nor clipper with valuable merchandise, nor piratic vessels ready to destroy everything they could seize, but a flotilla, bearing messengers of life and light and peace. Christ is in the front of the boat. His disciples with much speaking to large multitudes, is put into somnolence by the rocking of the waves. If there was any motion at all, the ship was easily righted; if the wind passed from one side, from the starboard to the larboard or from the larboard to the starboard, the boat would rock, and by the gentleness of the motion putting the master asleep. And they extemporized a pillow made out of a fisherman's coat. ? think no sooner is Christ prostrate and his head touching the pillow than he is sound asleep. The breezes of the lake run their fingers through the locks of the worn sleeper, and the boat rises and falls like a sleeping child on the

bosom of a sleeping mother. CHANGE OF WEATHER.

Calm night, starry night, beautiful night. Run up all the sails, ply all the oars, and let the large boat and the small boat glide over gentle Gennesaret. But the sailors say there is going to be a change of weather. And even the passengers can hear the moaning of the storm as it comes on with long stride, with all the terrors of huricane and darkness. The large boat trembles like a deer at bay trembling among the clangor of the hounds; great patches of foam are flung into the air; the sails of the vessel loosen and the sharp winds crack like pistols; the smaller boats like petrels poise on the cliff of the waves and then plunge. Overboard go cargo, tackling and masts and the drenched disciples rush into the back part of the boat and lay hold of Christ and say unto him, "Master, carest thou not that we perish?" That great personage lifts his head from the pillow of the fisherman's coat, walks to the front of the vessel and looks out into the storm. All around him are the smaller boats, driven in the tempest, and through it comes the cry of drowning men. By the flash of the lightning I see the calm brow of Christ as the apray dropped from his beard. He has one word for the sky and another word for the waves. Looking upward he cries, "Peace!" Looking downward he says, "Be still!"

The waves fall flat on their faces, the foam melts, the extinguished stars relight their torches, the tempest falls dead, and Christ stands with his foot on the neck of the storm. And while the sailors are bailing out the boats and while they are trying to untangle the cordage the disciples stand in amazement, now looking into the calm sea, then into the calm sky, then into the calm of the Saviour's countenance, and they cry out, "What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him?"

The subject in the first place impresses me with the fact that it is very important to have Christ in the ship, for all those boats would have gone to the bottom of Gennesaret if Christ had not been present. Oh, what a lessen for you and for me to learn! Whatever voyage we undertake, into whatever enterprise we start, let us always have Christ in the ship. Many of you in these days of revived commerce are starting out in new financial enter- men." But after awhile the "lion of you can do. Do it on as high a plane as possible. You have no right to be a stoker in the ship if you can be an admiral of the navy. You have no right to be a colonel of a regiment if you can command a brigade, you have no right to be engineer of a boat on river banks or near the coast if you can take the ocean steamer from New York to Liverpool. All you can do with utmost tension of body, mind and soul, you are bound to do; but, oh, have Christ in every enterprise, Christ in

every voyage, Christ in every ship!

There are men who ask God to help

them at the start of great enterprises. He has been with them in the past. No trouble can overthrow them. The storms might come down from the top of mount Hermon and lash Gennesaret into foam and into agony, but it could not hurt them. But here is another man who starts out in worldly enterprise, and he depends upon the uncertainties of this life. He has no God to help him. After awhile the storm comes and tosses off the masts of the ship. He puts out his lifeboat. The sheriff and the auctioneer try to help him off. He must go down-no Christ in the ship. Here are young men just starting out in life. Your life will be made up of sunshine and shadow. There may be in it arctic blasts

the religion of Christ while everything | Lord will divide the chaff from the goes smoothly, but after awhile, when wheat. sorrow hovers over the soul, when the waves of trial dash clear over the hurricane deck and the bowsprit is shivered and the halyards are swept into the sea and the gangway is crowded with piratical disasters-oh, what would you then do without Christ in the ship? Young man, take God for your portion, God for your guide, God for your help, then all is well-all is well for time, all shall be well forever. Blessed is that man who puts in the Lord his trust. He shall never be confounded.

THERE MUST BE ROUGH WEATH-

But my subject also impresses me with the fact that when people start to follow Christ they must not expect smooth sailing. These disciples got into the small boats, and I have no doubt they said: "What a beautiful day this is! What a smooth sea! What ; a bright sky this is! How delightful is sailing in this boat! And as for the waves under the keel of the boat, why, they only make the motion of our little boat the more delightful." But when the winds swept down and the sea was tossed into wrath, then they found that following Christ was not smooth sailing. So you have found it; so I have found it. Did you ever notice the end of the life of the apostles of Jesus Christ? You would say that if ever men ought to have had a smooth life, a smooth departure, then those men, the disciples of Jesus Christ ought to have had such a departure and such a life.

St. James lost his head. St. Philip was hung to death on a pillar. St Matthew had his life dashed out with a halberd. St. Mark was dragged to death through the streets. St. James the Less was beaten to death with a fuller's club. St. Thomas was struck through with a spear. They did not find following Christ smooth sailing. Oh, how they were all tossed in the tempest! John Huss in the fire, Hugh McKail in the hour of martyrdom, the Albigenses, the Waldenses, the Scotch Covenanters-did they find it smooth sailing?

But why go to history when I can find all around me a score of illustrations of the truth of this subject—that young man in the store trying to serve God while his employer scoffs at Christianity, the young men in the same store antagonistic to the Christian religion, teasing him, tormenting him about his religion, trying to get him mad? They succeed in getting him mad, saying, "You are a pretty Chrisare in a smaller boat. Jesus, weary tian!" Does this young man find it smooth sailing when he tries to follow Christ? Here is a Christian girl. Her father despises the Christian religion; her mother despises the Christian religion; her brothers and sisters scoff at the Christian religion; she can hardly find a quiet place in which to say her prayers. Did she find it smooth sailing when she tried to follow Jesus Christ? Oh, no; all who would live the life of the Christian religion must suffer perse cution. If you do not find it in one way, you will get it in another way.

The question was asked, "Who are those nearest the throne?" and the answer came back, "These are they who came up out of great tribulation"-"great flailing," as the original has it; great flailing, great pounding-"and had their robes washed and made white in the blood of the Lamb." Oh, do not be disheartened! You are in glorious companionship. God will see you through all these trials, and he will

deliver you. My subject also impresses me with the fact that good people sometimes get very much frightened. In the tones of these disciples as they rushed into the back part of the boat I find they are frightened almost to death. They say, "Master, carest thou not that we perish?" They had no reason to be frightened, for Christ was in the boat, I suppose if we had been there we would have been just as much affrighted. Perhaps more.

NO NEED TO WORRY.

In all ages very good people get very much affrighted. It is often so in our day, and men say: "Why, look at the bad lectures; look at the spiritualistic societies; look at the various errors going over the church of God. We are going to founder; the church is going to perish; she is going down." Oh, how many good people are affrighted by triumphant iniquity in our day and think the church of Jesus Christ and the cause of righteousness are going to be overthrown and are just as much affrighted as the disciples of my text were affrighted. Don't worry, don't fret, as though iniquity were going to triumph over righteousness.

A lion goes into a cavern to sleep. He lies down, with his shaggy mane covering the paws. Meanwhile the spiders spin a web across the mouth of the cavern and say, "We have captured him." Gossamer thread after gossamer thread is spun until the whole front of the cavern is covered with the spiders' web and the spiders say, "The lion is done; the lion is fast." After awhile the lion has got through sleeping. He rouses himself, he shakes his mane, he walks out into the sunlight, he does not even know the spiders' web is spun, and with

his voice he shakes the mountain. So men come, spinning their sophisteries and skepticism about Jesus Christ. He seems to be sleeping. They say: "We have captured the Lord. He will never come forth again upon the nation. Christ is captured, and captured forever. His religion will never make any conquest among prises. I bid you good cheer. Do all the tribe of Judah" will rouse himself and come forth to shake mightily the nations. What is a spider's web to the aroused lion? Give truth and error a fair grapple, and truth will

come off victor. But there is a great many good people who get affrighted in other respects. They are affrighted in our day about revivals. They say: "Oh, this is a strong religious gale! We are afraid the church of God is going to upset. and there are going to be a great many people brought into the church that are going to be of no use to it." And they are affrighted whenever they see a revival taking hold of the church-

CHAFF AND WHEAT.

As though a ship captain with 5,000 bushels of wheat for a cargo should say some day, coming upon deck, "Throw overboard all the cargo," and the sailors should say: "Why, captain, what do you mean? Throw over all the cargo?" "Oh," says the captain, "we have a peck of chaff that has got into this 5,000 bushels of wheat and the only way to get rid of the chaff is to throw all the wheat overboard." Now. that is a great deal wiser than the talk of a great many christians who want to throw overboard all the thousands and tens of thousands of souls who have been brought in through great or tropical tornadoes. I know not awakenings. Throw all overboard be-what is before you, but I know if you cause there is a peck of chaff, a quart to hear and are notified. or tropical tornadoes. I know not awakenings. Throw all overboard be-

You may seem to get along without | them stay until the last day. The

Oh, that these gales from heaven

might sweep throught all our churches! Oh, for such days as Richard Baxter saw in Ergland and Robert McCheyne saw in Dundee! Oh, for such days as Jonathan Edwards saw in Northampton! I have often heard my father tell of the fact that in the early part of this century a revival broke out in Somerville, N. J., and some people were very much agitated about it. They said, "Oh, you are going to bring too many people into the church at once!" and they sent down to New Brunswick to get John Livingston to stop the revival. Well, there was no better soul in all the world than John Livingston. He went up; he looked at the revival. They wanted him to stop it. He stood in the pulpit on the Sabbath and looked over the solemn auditory, and he said: "This, brethren, is in reality the work of God. Beware how you try to stop it." And he was an old man, leaning heavily on his staff-very old man. And he lifted that staff and took hold of the small end of the staff and began to let it fall very slowly through between the finger and the thumb, and he said, "Oh, thou impenitent, thou art talling now-falling away from life, falling away from peace and heaven falling as certainly as that cane is falling through my hand-falling certainly, though perhaps falling very slowly." And the cane kept on falling through John Livingston's hand. The religious emotion in the audience was overpowering, and men saw a type of their doom as the cane kept falling and fallng until the knob of the cane struckMr. Livingston's hand and he clasped it stoutly and said, "But the grace of God can stop you, as I stopped that cane,' and then there was gladness all through the house at the fact of pardon and peace and salvation. "Well." said the people after the service, "I guess we had better send Livingston home. He is making the revival worse." Oh, for the gales from heaven, and Christ on board the ship! The danger of the church of God is not in revivals.

Again, my subject impresses me with the fact that Jesus was God and man in the same being. Here he is in the back part of the boat. Oh, how tired he looks, what sad dreams he must have! Look at his countenance. He must be thinking of the cross to come. Look at him. He is a man-born of our bone, flesh of our flesh. Tired, he falls asleep; he is a man. But then I find Christ at the prow of the boat. I hear him say, "Peace, be still!" And I see the storm kneeling at his feet and the tempests

is a God. If I have sorrow and trouble and want sympathy, I go and kneel down at the back part of the boat and say, "O Christ, weary one of Gennesaret, sympathize with all my sorrows, man of Nazareth, man of the cross." A man, a man. But if I want to conquer my spiritual foes, if I want to get the victory over sin, death and hell, I come to the front of the boat and I kneel down, and I say, "O Lord Jesus Christ, thou who dost hush the tempest, hush all my grief, hush all my temptation, hush all my sin." A man, a man, a God, a God,

THE TEMPEST HUSHED.

I learn once more from this subject that Christ can hush a tempest. It did seem as if everything must go to ruin. The disciples had given up the idea of managing the ship. The crew were entirely demoralized, yet Christ rises, and he puts his foot on the storm, and it crouches at his feet. Oh, yes, Christ can hush the tempest!

You have had trouble. Perhaps it was the little child taken away from you-the sweetest child of the household, the one who asked the most curious questions and stood around you with the greatest fondness, and the spade cut down through your bleeding heart. Perhaps it was an only son, and your heart has ever since been like a desolated castle, the owls of the night hooting among the falling rafters and the crumbling stairways.

Perhaps it was an aged mother. You always went to her with your troubles. She was in your home to welcome your children into life, and when they died she was there to pity you. That old hand will do you no more kindness. That white lock of hair you put away in the casket or in the locket did not look as well as it usually did when she brushed it away from her wrinkled brow in the home circle or in the country church. Or, your property gone, you said, "I have so much bank stock, I have so many government securities, I have so many horses, I have so many farms"—all gone, all gone.

Why, all the storms that ever trampled with their thunders, all the shipwrecks, have not been worse than this to you. Yet you have not been completely overthrown. Why? Christ hushed the tempest. Your little one was taken away. Christ says: "I have that little one. I can take care of him as well as you can, better than you can, oh, bereaved mother!" Hushing the tempest! When your property went away, God said, "There are treasures in Heaven, in banks that never break." There is one storm into which we will all have to run the moment when we let go of this life and try to take hold of the next, when we will want all the grace we can have-we will want it all. Yonder I see a Christian soul rocking on the surges of death. All the powers of darkness seem let out against that soul-the swirling wave, the thunder of the sky, the screaming wind, all seem to unite together-but that soul is not troubled. plenty of tears in the room at the de- It is expected that he will be informally September 201/2 parture, but he weeps no tears: calm. satisfied, peaceful, all is well. Jesus hushing the tempest! By the flash of the storm you see the harbor just ahead, and you are making for that harbor. Strike eight bells. All is

Into the harbor of heaven now we glide. We're are home at last, home at last. Softly we drift on its bright, silv'ry

tide. We're home at last, home at last. Glory to God, all our dangers are o'er. We stand secure on the glorified shore. Glory to God, we will shout evermore. We're home at last, home at last.

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Webster's Weekly: The mayor of Durham has made a rule excluding boys from have Christ with you all shall be well, of chaff, a pint of chaff! I say, let corrupting to youthful minds. BOLTS THE TICKET.

Governor O'Ferrali, of Virginia Announces that he Will not Support the State Ticket. His Charges Against Bryan and Senator

Washington, August 31.-The Post will tomorrow print a lengthy and important interview with Governor Charles T. O'Ferrall, of Virginia, who last fall declined to support the nominees and platform of the Chicago convention and who is the recognized head of the gold democrats in Virginia. Governor O'Ferrall talks with plainness as to his present position and his future action. He announces his determination not to support, under present conditions, the democratic state ticket recently nominated at Roanoke, and gives his reasons for reaching this decision. He criticises in emphatic language the conduct of the leaders at that convention for indorsing the Chicago platform and also pays his respects to the free silver democrats who have made him a target of abuse, claiming that they have taken advantage of his position, knowing that he could not answer them, and charging them with attempting to seek notoriety through hurling epithets at him. He reiterates his charge that Bryan had made every arrangement to enter the state in 1893 and make speeches in behalf of the populist who was running for governor against him and gives additional evidence to substantiate his assertion. He speaks of Senator Daniel as having presented in the senate a resolution indorsing Cleveland's action regarding the Chicago strike and yet with having voted in the committee on resolutions in the Chicago convention denouncing Cleveland for the very act which the senator had previously commended.

Governor O'Ferrall also defends his course in ordering out the military to prevent lynchings and calls attention to the fact that although there says that he has no apologies or regrets for his course in politics and intimates that if Bryan is re-nominated on a platform similar to the one adopted at Chicago, Virginia may go republican in 1900.

Mail Service for Klondyke

Washington, August 31.-The first letter mail to be dispatched from this country to the Klondyke region under the new reciprocal arrangement with Canada, effected by establishing an international exchange between Dyea, Alaska, and Dawson City, will be forwarded from Seattle by a steamer leaving there September 11th. From that time forward, letter mail will go over the new service regularly once a month. The last opportunity to send newspapers and reading material generally to the Klondyke region until next spring, will be afforded by the "paper mail," the last of the season, which will be forwarded by steamer leaving San Francisco on September

Unofficial advices have reached the postoffice department that the British government is contemplating the establishment of another postal route into the Klondyke region from the coast, to be almost wholly within the British territory. The entrance from the coast is to be effected, according to the new plan, by means of the Stikine river, which has its mouth on the United States side of the line, but passage through which is free to all. The scheme, as it is being projected, is for the British mail carrying vessels to go in near Prince of Wales islands, up the Stikine river, thence from near its head, above Fort Wrangell, cross over land about 150 miles to Teslin (or Aklene) lake, up the Hoodalinqua and Lewis rivers to the "boom" district. Acting Postmaster General Shallengerger and his assistants were busily engaged today going over the details of the new mail route from Dyea to Dawson City, made by agreement between this country and Canada and perfecting the agreement for the exchange scheme on the part of the United States. Reports have reached here that persons acquainted with the Alaskan gold situation generally believe that the Copper river valley will be the scene of great activity soon. This news comes in a personal way from postal authorities who have had an opportunity to inquire into the matter. It is based not only on the reported productiveness of the valley, but largely on the prospective measures the Canadian government is reported to be about to establish, taking every alternate claim and demand 20 per cent. of the other profits. It is felt, according to these reports, that the establishment of this policy would drive the prospectors across the line into our own territory and so develop the fields within the domain of the United States.

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Minister Woodford Leaves for San Sebas-

Washington, September 1.-Mr. Wood ford, the United States minister to Spain has advised the state department that he will leave Paris today for San Sebastian, there is no sighing, there are no tears; I the seat of the Spanish court in summer. presented to the Spanish minister foreign affairs at San Sebastian, and that he will be recognized by the Spanish gov ernment immediately thereafter to the extent of transacting business of an emergency, and such as does not involve questions of large policy. This limitaton, of course, will delay for a time the execution of such instructions from President McKinley as Mr. Woodford may have touching the broad question of Cuban autonomy and the abatement of political conditions in Cuba, but the delay will not last long, since as soon as the Spanish court returns to Madrid Mr. Woodford will be accorded full recognition as a minister plenipotentiary, and will be in a position to present his views immediately.

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WILLINGTON MARKETS.

COTTON REPORT. Wilmington, N. C., September 1. Receipts of cotton today-59 bales. Receipts to same date last year-200 This season's receipts to date-56

Receipts to same date last year-396 The quotations posted at 4 o'clock today at the exchange. Cotton quiet. Ordinary..... lood ordinary..... Low middling..... 6%

NAVAL STORES. Spirits turpentine opened firm at 274c and 26%c: closed weak, offered at 27%c and 26%c with no takers. Rosin steady at \$1.15 and \$1.20.

Tar firm at \$1.10. Crude turpentine firm; hard \$1.30; yelow dip \$1.80; virgin \$1.90. Prices same day last year-Spirits turentine 21%c and 21c; rosin \$1.35 and 1.40; tar \$1.05; crude turpentine \$1.20, \$1.55 and \$1.65. Receipts today-47 casks spirits turpen-

ine, 182 barrels rosin, 52 barrels tar, 31 barrels crude turpentine. Receipts to same date last year-8 casks spirits turpentne, 179 barrels rosin, 111 barrels tar, 24 barrels crude turpen-

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

FINANCIAL

New York, September 1.-Money on call easy at 161% per cent.; last loan at 1% per cent., closing offered at 14614 per cent. Prime mercantile paper at 31/2/41/2 per cent. Sterling exchange firm with ac. tual business in bankers bills at \$4.85% for demand, and at \$4.83\46\$4.83\6 for sixty days. Posted rates \$4.84\46\$4.85\4 and \$4.861/2@\$4.87. Commercial bills at \$4.821/4@ 14.821/2. Silver certificates 51. Bar silver 511/4. Mexican dollars 41. Government bonds strong; state bonds dull; railroad bonds easier.

Chic. Alton......159% United States.... 421/2 Chic., B. & Q..... 97% Wells Far......109 Del. & Hudson...119 Am. Cot. Oil 251/4 Del., L. & W.....1601/2 Am Cot Oil, pre.. 79 Fort Wayne.....170 Am. Tobacco..... 94% Illinois Central...105½ Am Tobac, pre...111 & N......... 61% Chic. Gas.......1031/2 Manhattan L.... 106½ Con. Gas...... 193½ Mobile & Ohio.... 31½ Gen. Electric.... 38½ N. J. Central.... 95% Lead...... 37% N. Y. Central.... 108% Nat. Lin. Oil..... 21% Pittsburg......1681/2 Pullman Pal.....1751/2 Reading...... 271/8 Silver Cer...... 51 Southern Ry... 11% Sugar...... 156% inent in building the near positions. South. Ry., pre. 36 T. C. & Iron... 32% January opened at 6.84, declined to 6.83, W. & L. E..... 2% West. Union... 94% advanced to 6.88, eased to 6.86 and BONDS. U. S. N. 4's reg. .125% L. & N. Un 4's.. 85 S. N. 4's cou..125% Missouri 6's.....100

S. 4's cou.....112% N. Caro. 6's.....126 S. 2's...... 971/2 N. Caro. 4's.....1041/2 S. 5's reg.....113% Pa. 6's, of '95.....102 S. 5's cou..... 113% S. Caro. non-fu.. 1 South Ry. 5's 94% Ala. Class A.....107 Ala. Class B..... 106 Tenn N. Set 3's.. 86 Ala. Class C..... 98 Union Pa, 1'st...1111/2 Ala. Currency.... 98 Va. Cen....... 671/2 Va. Cen..... 671/2 La. N. Con 4's... 96 [Va. deferred..... 4

COTTON.

Liverpool, September 1.-4 p. m.-Cotton. Spot, moderate business; prices steadier; American middling 41%d. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales, of which 1,000 bales were for speculation and export, and in- gain of 5 to 6 points, the market eased cluded 8,800 bales American. Receipts off 2 to 3 points and was finally steady none. Futures opened quiet with a mod-

erate demand and closed very steady.

American middling, low middling clause: September 4d buyers: September and October 3 57-64d, sellers; October and November 3 49-64d, 3 50-64d buyers; November and December 3 46-64d, 3 47-64d buyers; December and January 3 45-64d, 3 46-64d buyers: January and February 3 45-64d, 3 46-64d sellers: February and March 3 46-64d sellers: March and April 3 46-64d, 3 47-64d buyers: April and May 3 47-64d, 3 48-64d buyers; May and June 3 48-64d, 3 49-64d buyers; June and July 3 49-64d, 3 50-64d

New York, September 1 .- Cotton dull; middling 7 13-16c; net receipts none; gross receipts 5,259; forwarded 2,405; sales 280, all spinners; stock 42,288 Total today: Net receipts 6,126; stock

Consolidated: Net receipts 36,887; exports to Great Britain 4.904; to France 1, 444: to the continent 1,923. Total since September 1st: Net receipts

Cotton futures closed steady; sales 60,500 oales: January 6.87; February 6.90; March 5.94; April 6.97; May 7.00; September 7.19; October 6.94; November 6.81; December

Spot cotton closed dull; middling uplands 7 13-16c; middling gulf 8 11-16c; sales

PORT RECEIPTS.

Galveston-Steady at 7%c; net receipts Norfolk-Steady at 8c; net receipts 30. Baltimore-Nominal at 8c. Boston-Quiet at 8c; gross receipts 4. Wilmington-Quiet at 7c; net receipts

Philadelphia-Quiet at 8 1-16c. Savannah-Quiet at 7c; net receipts 369. New Orleans-Steady at 71/3c; net re-Mobile-Nothing doing at 74c; net receipts 26.

Memphis-Firm at 7 7-16c; net receipts Augusta-Quiet at 71/4c; net receipts 835 Charleston-Steady at 7c; net receipts

Cincinanti-Quiet at 81/4c; net receipts 3 Louisville-Quiet at 7%c St. Louis-Steady at 7 7-16c; net receipts gross receipts 111. Houston-Steady at 7 1-16c; net receipts

GRAINS, PROVISIONS, ETC. Chicago, September 1.-The leading fuures were as follows:

Open. High. Low. Clos. Wheat-September December December Mess pork-September\$8.80 \$8.75 \$8.95 \$8.921/2 October 8.85 9.05 December 9.00 9.121/2 8.871/2 9.071/2 Lard, per 100 lbs.-September\$4.821/2 \$4.95 \$4.821/2 \$4.90 October 4.85 4.821/2 December 4.921/2 5.021/2 4.921/2 5.00 Short Ribs, per 100 lbs .-September\$5.70 \$5.821/2 October 5.65 5.821/2 October 5.65 Cash quotations were as follows: Flour steady; No. 2 yellow corn, 314c; No. spring wheat, 93%@99c; No. 3 spring wheat 86@90c; No. 2 red, 93%@96c; No. 2 corn, 314c; Oats, 194@194c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 21@24c; No. 3 white, 2014@2214c; mess pork, per bbl., \$8.90@\$8.95; lard, per 100 lbs. \$4.87\4@\$4.90; short ribs sides, \$5.65@\$5.95; dry salted shoulders, 51/2054c; short clear sides, boxed, 64464c; whiskey, distillers' finished goods, per gal., \$1.22. . New York, September 1.-Flour firm and

Wheat-Firm: No. 1 northern, New York \$1.04% affoat; No. 2 hard \$1.01% affoat. Options opened firm and advanced actively all day on strong private cables, foreign buying, heavy covering, renewed export demand and bad crop news from the northwest and Europe, closed strong at 3% 44c net advance. No. 2 red, September 96 3-16c 4\$1.00%; closed at \$1.00%; November 98c: December 94%@98%c, closed at 98c. Corn-Spot strong; No. 2, 37%c elevator; 381/4c affoat. Options opened weaker under free deliveries, but turned strong and advanced all day on bad crop news and covering; closed at 114@13%c net higher. September 35%@37%c, closed at 37%c; November 37%@38%c, closed at 38%c; December 37%@38 11-16c, closed at 38%c.

point higher.

Oats-Spot stronger; No. 2, 234624c. Operations quiet but stronger, closing at % onet higher. September closed at 24c; Oc-

tober 23%24%c, closed at 24%c; December closed at 25%c. Lard-Firm; refined strong; continent 5.60: South American \$6.15; compo

Eggs-Quiet; state and Pennsylvania 14619c: western fresh 164c. Molasses-Firm Cotton Seed Oil-Strong and active? prime crude nominal; prime crude, f. o. b. mills nominal; prime summer yellow 2746 28c; off summer yellow 254627c; butter

grades 33633c; prime summer white 296 Coffee—Options opened steady at 5 to 16 points lower, ruled quiet with easy under-tone, following heavy Brazilian receipts slack spot demand, absence of outside support and lower European markets. bulls cautious owing to estimated heavy increase in worlds visible supply. Close barely steady at 10 to 15 ponts net decline Sales 16,500 bags, including September at \$6.15@\$6.20; December \$6.50@\$6.55; January \$6.60@\$6.65; March \$6.80@\$6.85. Spot coffee-Rio quiet: Cordova 10161616. Sugar-Raw firm: refined 316: Centrifu-

gal % test. 3%c; sales late yesterday 1,300 tons Muscovado, 89 test, 3%c; refined firm. NAVAL STORES.

New York-Rosin steady; tureputing

firm at 29% @30% c. Charleston-Turpentine market firm at Se bid, and 264c asked; sales none. Rosin firm; sales none; strained, common to good \$1.10 to \$1.25.

Savannah—Spirits turpentine firm at 714c; sales 767; receipts 1.230. Rosin :1rm sales 2,697; receipts 4,502, Quote: A P C D \$1.20; F \$1.25; G \$1.30; H \$1.40; I \$1.45; K \$1.50; M \$1.55; N \$1.90; W G \$2.05; W W.

Cotton Futures (Special to The Messenger.)

New York, September 1 .-- It was very dull in the cotton market today. The business was the smallest in some weeks. Liverpool disappointed the bears by again advancing slightly. That market was 1-64d higher this morning. The demand was not great at the opening while the movement at interior towns was liberal. In the absence of any pressure to sell after the opening. prices advanced further. The estimated receipts at Houston tomorrow were double those of last year and checked the enthusiasm. The feature of the day was heavy exchanging near for late months by a house recently promadvanced to 6.88, eased to 6.86 and closed at 6.87 to 6.88, with the tone of the market steady. Advices from New Orleans predict a September movement almost as heavy as last year. We do not think, however, that unless these

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predictions are fully verified, cotton

will decline much at present.

New York, September 1 .- Starting steady at an advance of 2 to 3 points, the cotton market further advanced 2 to 4 points, English cotton cables showing up in better shape than expected, while crop accounts were not uniformly favorable. After showing a net gain of 5 to 6 points, the market eased at a net advance of 4 to 7 points, except August, which closed unchanged. The character of the market was a disappointment, both as to the volume of trading and the scope of fluctuations, the narrowness of the latter resulting from an almost entire lack of outside speculative interest. A feature of the early trading was the proportionately full demand from Liverpoot with private cables stating that English sentiment was being influenced by the weekly crop report of yesterday; which received a bullish interpretation and was believed to forecast an unfavorable bureau report September 10th.

The Chicago Markets

Chicago, September 1.-All grain and provision markets were strong today after an opening which rather indicated an opposite condition. A renewal of foreign buying and heavy clearances started shorts in wheat to covering in the old familiar way and resulted in an advance of 31/2c in December. All the other markets were carried along, corn having the additional help of some decidedly sensational crop reports from Iowa. Corn advanced 1c, oats %c and provisions 5 to 121/2c.

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The Farmer was Fixed for Him

A well to do Georgia farmer invited a merchant friend to dine with him. The merchant was known for his crankiness, and had once or twice tried to shoot people for imagined wrongs. The farmer had considerable business dealings with him, and they were on the best of terms. However, the farmer kept a wary eye on him.

Several days after the dinner at the farmer's house the merchant said to

"I can't account for the queer feelings and impulses I have occasionally. For instance, the other day, when I was dining at your table, it suddenly came into my mind to kill you-though I had nothing in the world against you. I had a pistol in my pocket at the time, and once I had my hand on it, when the strange feeling passed from

me. "Don't let that bother you," said the farmer, "I knowed all about your fallin's in that line, an' I wuzn't asleep when I saw your hand to your hip. My son John wuz standin' in the hallway back of you with a shotgun leveled at you, an' you jist did save your bacon by changin' your mind. Ef you hadn' he'd er blowed daylight through you.' -Atlanta C -titution.